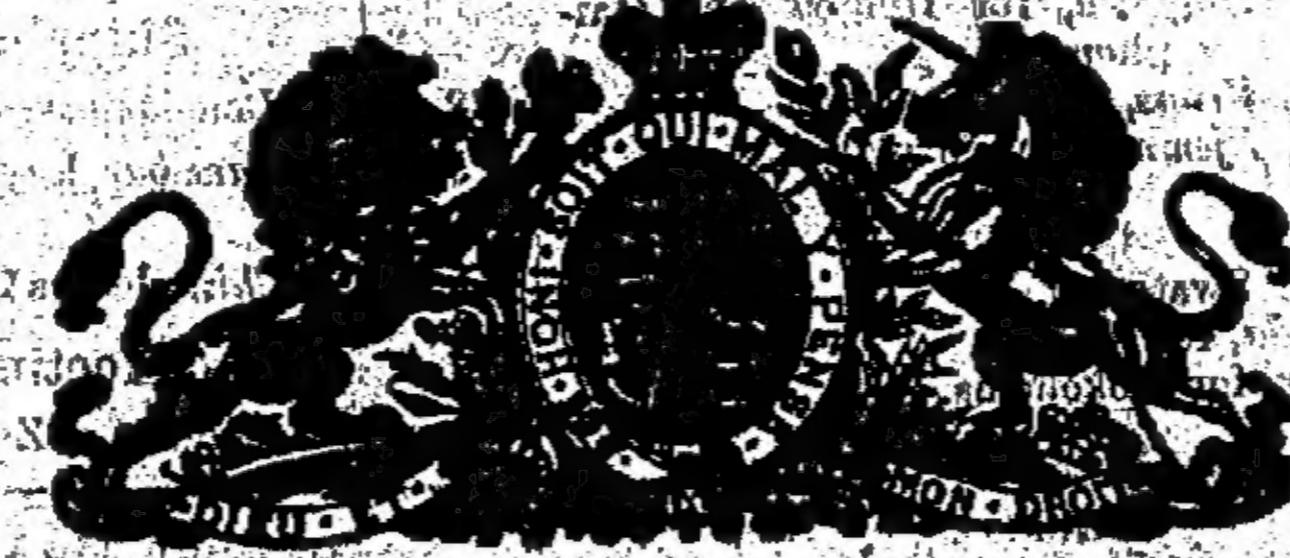


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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALLEN, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, George Street, 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, B.C. BATES, HENDY & CO., Old Jewry, B.C. SAMUEL DRAON & CO., 169 & 174, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE ROSY, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 183, New Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOWEN, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BROWN & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE AND STRAITS.—SAYLE & CO., Square, Singapore. C. HEINZEN & CO., Manila.

CHINA.—Stevens, CAMPBELL & CO., AMY, WILSON, NICHOLS & CO., Flockton, HEDGES & CO., Shanghai. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Banks.

Shanghai Banking Corporation in London, Hongkong, and Shanghai, after which dates interest on the Bonds so drawn will cease.

The Loan has been authorised by an Imperial Edict, dated 8th of October, 1877, which has been communicated to the British Legation at Peking, according to a dispatch from the British Consul at Shanghai, dated 20th October, 1877.

The Loan, principal and interest, is specially secured by the hypothecation of the Imperial Maritime Customs' Revenue of the Ports of Shanghai, Canton, Ningpo, and Hankow—the four Ports which have the largest Customs' Revenue of the Empire—to the extent necessary for the due payment of interest and repayment of principal of the said Loan.

The total Customs' Receipts at the Ports named for the past three years have averaged £2,005,500 per annum, and the total Customs' Revenue for the same period at all the Ports in China has averaged £2,560,000 per annum.

The indebtedness of the Imperial Government only amounts to about £700,000, of which about £250,000 mature next year. The amounts of the outstanding Loans and the proposed Loan are therefore, together, only £2,200,000, or about two-thirds of one year's Customs' Revenue. The payments both of interest and principal on account of outstanding Loans have been duly and punctually met by the Chinese Government.

The special hypothecation of Customs' Revenue to meet the charge of the present Loan is constituted by the deposit with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation of Customs' Bonds, signed by the Chinese authorities of the respective Provinces in which the Ports referred to are situated, and by the European Commissioners at the same Ports, which Bonds will be held by the Bank in trust for the holders of this Loan. These Customs' Bonds will be received, in case of need, in payment of Chinese Customs' Duties.

The Customs' Revenue available to meet these obligations, and for which they are specially charged, is £2,100,000 per annum.

Certified translations of the official documents authorising the Loan, may be inspected at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, London.

Applications in the annexed form, accompanied by a deposit of 10 per cent., will be received by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, 51, Lombard Street, London.

Applications from China, Japan, and Manilla will be received and forwarded by the Hongkong and Shanghai Offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. Those from the Straits Settlements and India to be sent to London.

Default in payment of any instalment at the due date will render all previous payments liable to forfeiture.

If no allotment is made, the deposit will be returned in full; and if only a portion of the amount applied for is allotted, the balance of the deposit will be applied towards the payment of the amount due on allotment.

Script Certificates to Bearer will be issued against Allotment Letters, and Bankers' Receipts and Bonds to Bearer, when ready, will be exchanged for fully paid-up Script.

Forms of Application can be obtained of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their offices in London, Hongkong, and Shanghai.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1877.

TO BE RETAINED BY THE BANKERS.

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT EIGHT PER CENT. LOAN OF 1877, For £1,604,276. 0. 10 STOCK.

IN BONDS OF £100 EACH.

Bearing Interest from 31st December, 1877, the first Coupon of £1.6.8 being payable on 28th February, 1878, and Coupons of £4 being payable thereon after on 31st August and 28th February in each year, until 14th June, 1884, when the last Coupon of £2.6.8 will be payable.

The Bonds are redeemable at par within seven years (1884) by half-yearly drawings.

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN LONDON, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

PRICE OF ISSUE 98 PER CENT.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, 51, Lombard Street, London, as Agents for the Chinese Government, hereby invite Subscriptions for £1,604,276.0.10 of 8 per cent. Bonds at the issue price of 98 per cent. payable as follows:

£10 per cent. on application.

40 " allotment.

48 " 15 days after allotment.

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The Bonds will bear interest at the rate of 48 per cent. per annum, payable half yearly on the 28th February and 31st August at the offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in London, Hongkong, and Shanghai. The first Coupon for £1.6.8 for interest from 31st December, 1877, to 28th February, 1878, will be payable on the latter date, and Coupons of £4 will be payable thereafter on 31st August and 28th February in each year, until 14th June, 1884, when the final Coupon of £2.6.8 will be payable.

The Bonds will be redeemed at par within seven years (1884) by thirteen half-yearly Drawings of £114,000 each, the balance of the Loan, £114,476.0.10, being paid off on 14th June, 1884.

The Drawings will take place in London in December and June in each year, and the Bonds withdrawn will be paid off at par on the succeeding 28th February and 31st August at the offices of the Hongkong and

Banks.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

CAPITAL..... £800,000.
RESERVE FUND..... £110,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

Local Bills discounted, and Interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Deposits for fixed periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

VALUABLE LAND AND HOUSEHOLD PROPERTY, &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale), on

MONDAY,

the 31st December, 1877, at Noon, at their Sale Room, Praya Central,—

The following PIECES or PARCELS of GROUND, with the Buildings erected thereon.

First.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in Victoria, Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as the remaining portion of INLAND Lot No. 41, abutting on the North side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 153 feet, on the South side thereof on Section 4 of the aforesaid Inland Lot No. 41 and Measuring thereon 75 feet and 55 feet, on the East side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 88 feet; and on the West side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office at Inland Lot No. 201, and Measuring thereon 36 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole about 8,000 square feet, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £73.01, together with the Messuages or Tenements standing thereon, at present leased by D. RUTTNER, Esq.

Second.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 26, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Third.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 30, abutting on the South side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 29, on the East side thereof on the road to Aberdeen, and on the North and West sides thereof on a Water Course, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 34 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £12; together with a quantity of Building Materials at present contained in and about the houses described as "Belmont" upon the aforesaid Lots.

Fourth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 27, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Fifth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 28, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Sixth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 29, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Seventh.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 30, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Eighth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 31, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Ninth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 32, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Tenth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 33, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Eleventh.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 34, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Twelfth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 35, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Thirteenth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 36, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Fourteenth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 37, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Fifteenth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 38, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Sixteenth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 39, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Seventeenth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 40, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is £53.40.

Eighteenth.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Po-ko-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 41, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet

Intimations.

VICTORIA REGATTA.
TWENTY-SECOND MEETING.
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,
21st and 22nd December, 1877.

PATRON.
HIS EXCELLENCY JOHN POPE HENNESSY, C.M.G.

VICE-PATRON.
COMMODORE WATSON, R.N.

STEWARDS.
H. B. GIBB, Esq., Hon. W. KESWICK,
W. H. FORBES, Esq., Hon. Col. BASHAW,
H. HOPPIUS, Esq., C.B.
G. B. EMORY, Esq.

COMMITTEE.

T. JACKSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.
Major BRODIEAN, 23rd Regiment
H. E. WODEHOUSE, Esq.
Lt. R. S. F. WALKER, 23rd Regiment
E. L. WOODIN, Esq.

DUDLEY C. TRAVERS, Esq., Honorary Secretary.

JUDGE.
J. P. MORIEN, Esq., R.N.

UMPLIES.

ROWING..... Hon. C. C. SMITH,
YACHTS..... E. BEART, Esq.
OPEN SAILING BOATS. E. BURNIE, Esq.

STARTERS.

ROWING..... Hon. C. C. SMITH,
YACHTS..... E. BEART, Esq.
OPEN SAILING BOATS. E. BURNIE, Esq.

FIRST DAY,

FRIDAY, 21st DECEMBER, 1877.

FIRST RACE.—1 P.M.

Junior Sculls. For Single Pair Sculling Boats. Entrance \$5. Distance One Mile. Prize, "Broker's Cup." Open to any one who has never won a Sculling Race in China and Japan.

SECOND RACE.—1.30 P.M.
For Gigs pulled by European Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by European Members of the Police Force. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Out-rigged Boats excluded.

THIRD RACE.—2 P.M.
The "Chairman's Cup," for Four-Oared Canton Cutters. Distance One mile and a half. Entrance \$10.

FOURTH RACE.—2.30 P.M.
For Men-of-War Gigs and Whalers. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. No time allowed for Gigs.

FIFTH RACE.—3 P.M.
"LADIES' PURSE" For Single Pair Sculling Boats. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$5.

SIXTH RACE.—3.30 P.M.
For House Boats & Gigs pulled by Chinese. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Time for Gigs, 6 seconds per Oar.

SEVENTH RACE.—4 P.M.
International Race. "Challenge Cup"—presented by the Merchants of Hongkong—for Four-Oared Canton Cutters. To be won two consecutive years before being held. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$10.

SAILING RACE.
For Men-of-War Boats, any rig. Entrance \$2. First Prize, \$20; Second, \$10.

YACHT RACE.
For all Yachts. Entrance \$5. Time allowed for Tonnage, 15 seconds per ton. Cup presented.

SECOND DAY,

SATURDAY, 22nd DECEMBER, 1877.

FIRST RACE.—1 P.M.

For Gigs pulled by European Non-Commissioned Officers and men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by European Members of the Police Force. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Winner of Second Race on first day, and out-rigged Boats excluded.

SECOND RACE.—1.30 P.M.
For House Boats & Gigs pulled by Chinese. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Winner of Sixth Race on first day, and out-rigged Boats excluded.

THIRD RACE.—2 P.M.
"Member's Cup"—presented by Members of "The Victoria Recreation Club"—for Four-Oared Canton Cutters. Distance One Mile and a half. Entrance \$10. Winner of "The Chairman's Cup" excluded.

FOURTH RACE.—2.30 P.M.
For Officers of H.M.S. *Audacious* against Fleet in harbour. Cup presented by the Members of the Hongkong Club, to be rowed in Canton Fours. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$10.

SEVENTH RACE.—4 P.M.
"American Cup," open to all Members and Honorary Members of the Victoria Recreation Club, to be rowed in Canton Fours. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$10.

SAILING RACE.
For all Open Boats, Chinese excluded. Entrance \$2. First Prize, \$20; Second, \$10.

YACHT RACE.
For all Yachts. Entrance \$5. Time allowed for Tonnage, 15 seconds per ton. Cup presented by the Victoria Recreation Club.

DUDLEY C. TRAVERS,
Hon. Secretary, Victoria Recreation Club,
Hongkong, 27th November, 1877.

Intimations.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

ALPHINGTON, British barque, Captain G. Cunningham—Walter & Co.

CILVERUM, British ship, Captain E. Shrewsbury—Walter & Co.

COLORADO, American ship, Captain Ingraham—Russell & Co.

KATE CAIRNS, British barque, Captain James Wilson—Melchers & Co.

BROOMHALL, British ship, Captain H. Baker—Russell & Co.

CHARLES OAK, American ship, Captain Staples—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FORMOSA, German 3-m. schooner, Captain Schweier—Melchers & Co.

ARCVILLE, British steamer, Captain D. Scott—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

RODERICK HAY, British barque, Captain P. H. Nicolson—Chinese.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR NINGPO & SHANGHAI.

The Steamship

"CHINA"

ACKERMANN, Master, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, Saturday, the 1st December, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIMMSEN & Co.,
Hongkong, November 30, 1877.

FOR SWATOW.

The Steamship

"PENEDO"

J. CAIN, Commander, will leave for the above Port on

SUNDAY, the 2nd December, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, November 30, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship
"TANAS," Comd. De Lambeville, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA on SUNDAY, the 2nd December, at 5 A.M.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent,
Hongkong, November 30, 1877.

TO LET ON LEASE.

Possession on the 1st January, 1878.
The Well-known Premises now occupied at the "STAG HOTEL." The House contains: Dining Room, Sitting Room, and 12 Bed-rooms, a large Billiard Room for Two Tables, Pantry, Bath-rooms, and W.C. Also, a Bar, in Queen's Road, and Store attached; Cook House, 2 Boys' Rooms, &c. Gas and Water laid on.

For further Particulars, apply to
J. ARMSTRONG,
Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, November 30, 1877.

NOTICE.

WE hereby give notice to the Public
that our Firm of FY CHONG & Co., Silk Merchants, has been carrying on
Business at Canton for THIRTY-NINE Years,
and has not established any Branch Firm
anywhere. If others have assumed our
Sign of FY CHONG, Customers will spare
themselves much disappointment, if they
will only be careful to deal with none but
the recognised Representatives of our Firm.

FY CHONG & Co.,
Silk Merchants,
Canton.

30th November, 1877.

Charters Effected.

The following charters have been effected
during the last few days:

American bark *Chazon*, 628, Cebu to New

York, or Boston, or London, or Liverpool,
private.

British ship *Oneida*, 3220, hence to Ham-

burg, private.

British barque *Golden Rust*, 406, hence to

Hamburg, private.

British barque *Naith*, 481, Manila to

London, or Liverpool. Sugar \$2 per ton of

20 cubic feet; Hemp £3, if all Sugar £2.5,

30 days.

British schooner *Sea Bells*, 212, hence to

Melbourne and Sydney, private.

German brig *Carl*, 315, hence to Sour-

baya, \$350 in full, 21 day lay.

German ship *Gustav de Marie*, 354, hence to

Batavia and Samarang, \$1,600 in full, 30

by day.

American barque *Philip Fitzpatrick*, 582,

hence to Singapore, \$1,050 in full, 14 day

lay days.

British steamer *Pernambuco*, 848, Swatow

to Singapore, Passengers \$8 per head, 12

day lay.

British steamer *Riga*, 921, Swatow to

Singapore, Passengers \$8 per head, 12

day lay.

The British ship *Elizabeth Nicholson*, 500 tons, left for Manila, seeking

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Nov. 30, *Diamond*, British steamer, 1340,

Jackson, Shanghai Nov. 24, and Foochow

25, General—Burttwood & Swiss.

Nov. 31, *Tatton*, British steamer, 406,

M. Young, Taiwan Nov. 26, Amoy 27,

and Swatow 28, General—Dowell & Co.

Nov. 30, *Florence*, British barque, 871,

D. Fraser, Hafphong Nov. 16, General—

Chinese.

Nov. 30, *Charlotte Andretti*, British

barque, 350, R. H. Beattie, Cunard Nov.

15, San Francisco & Co.

Nov. 30, *Mario*, British steamer, 1060,

J. H. Brock, Saigon Nov. 26, General—

Simmsen & Co.

DEPARTURE.

Nov. 30, *Holloway*, for Hafphong and Ha-

iphong.

30, *Pendo*, for Singapore.

30, *Diamond*, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Nov. 30, *Riga*, for Swatow.

Emerala, for Manila.

Zanibar, for Yokohama.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Diamond*, from Foochow for Hong-

kong. Messrs. Nicholson and Slade; for

London, Mr. Foster. From Shanghai: for

London, Mr. Goode.

DEPARTED.

Per *Tatton*, from Amoy, etc., 2 Euro-

peans, and 34 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Riga*, for Singapore, 2 Europeans.

Per *Emerala*, for Manila, 1 European,

and 192 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Diamond* reports:

Fair monsoon throughout the passage.

Nov. 29th, passed Company's S. S. *Oreto* off Brothers.

The British barque *Modden* reports:</p

THE "YESQ" CALAMITY.

RELEASE OF PRISONERS FROM THE GAOL.
H. E. the Governor went to the Gaol to-day at 11 o'clock and considered the report made by the Medical Officer and the Superintendent of the Gaol respecting the services rendered by certain prisoners who had acted as dressers in the temporary hospital fitted up in the prison when the sixty sufferers from the explosion on board the *Yeo* were brought to the prison on the 22nd inst.

Having consulted with Dr Ayres, the Colonial Surgeon, and with Capt. Ducat, the Superintendent, and minutely examined the lists submitted to him, His Excellency about half past twelve o'clock came out of the Superintendent's Office and conveyed his decision to the prisoners in question, who were paraded for that purpose in the lower yard.

The first list contained twenty-five Europeans, including A. F. Chambers. His Excellency, addressing them, said that when they recent calamity occurred it became necessary to bring sixty of the sufferers into a temporary hospital fitted up in the Gaol, owing to the fact that the building now used as a Civil Hospital was not large enough. The cases were all of the most serious and distressing kind,—of a kind requiring unremitting attention day and night. It was therefore absolutely necessary to secure the immediate services of a body of tenders who would act under the Superintendence of the Medical Officers, and this was accomplished by the Col. Surgeons, who most properly availed himself of the ready help at hand. A considerable number of prisoners volunteered for this duty. Dr Ayres and Captain Ducat had chosen those whose good conduct they could best rely on. The task imposed upon these prisoners was one of the most harrowing that can be conceived. The injuries of the patients were shocking to contemplate, and the great zeal and tenderness shown by the volunteer dressers in endeavouring to alleviate pain and save life attracted the attention of every one whom duty it was to visit the scene of suffering.

Dr Mowll, whose invaluable assistance had been afforded to the local Government by H. E. Admiral Hillyar, spoke in the highest terms of them, and so had Dr Ayres and Capt. Ducat. The Governor himself had also paid some surprise visits to the Gaol at night and found the dressers at work and everything being done for the poor wounded people that human beings could accomplish.

Under such circumstances he felt it his duty to give them the highest reward he could, and that was their freedom. Some of the Europeans in the list had been convicted by the Naval and Military authorities, and with reference to these he could only promise to represent their cases to H. E. the Admiral, and to the Colonel in command of the Troops.

The Chinese prisoners who were also recommended for clemency were then paraded and addressed through the interpreter, in similar terms. Of these twenty-four were liberated; the case of Li Lam Kwei (under a life sentence) was reserved for further consideration, and the cases of about six other Chinese are to be dealt with by partial remission of sentences only.

On visiting the other parts of the Gaol some prisoners who had served more than two-thirds of their time begged for clemency, but His Excellency told them that their petitions had been received by him some weeks ago, and rejected, as their conduct in prison had not been good.

With the exception of those now liberated, and a few liberated on medical certificates, or on the recommendation of the Judges, His Excellency had strictly adhered to the rule he had re-established that no prisoner could be released who had not served two-thirds of his sentence and then only when his conduct in prison had been as good as to earn the recommendation of the Superintendent.

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. O. May.)
30th November, 1877.

OUR SERVICES.

Cheung Apat, a house-cook at the Horse Repository, was charged by Mr John Kennedy, one of the proprietors, with assaulting him.

Mr Kennedy said that the defendant had been in his employment for four or five days as a house-cook. One of the cow 'cooks' being sick for the last two days, the defendant had been assisting in the work connected with the cows. At past 5 o'clock this morning he told the defendant to clean a pair of boots quickly for a person who was going away in a steamer. Defendant, who can speak English very well, said there is no hurry, and complainant told him there was defendant then said "there is no hurry—don't you be in such a hurry." Complainant then took the boots from him and told him to leave the premises and that he could come back again at 9 o'clock for his money. He (defendant) turned to go toward the stables, when complainant took hold of his arm and told him to go over the bridge. As he was going down the steps he deliberately struck the complainant on the left side. Complainant merely pushed the defendant away, but did not strike him. Complainant then went inside his house, and about ten minutes later he was going to the stable to send out the horses when to his astonishment the defendant, who was concealed in a dark place, this being before daylight, struck him with a large pole about 9 feet long. The defendant held the pole in both hands and aimed at his head, but fortunately the blow fell on the left side of his neck, making a bad mark (livid mark shown). Complainant then caught hold of him, but he still struck him, and seized the complainant by the flannel shirt, tearing it down the front. He was then given in charge to the constable at the Government Office, and said he did not care if he was "d—n" for the complainant or the Police, as he had been in San Francisco.

The defendant in defence said that the complainant first seized hold of him to turn him away, and struck and kicked him, and he (defendant) then took hold of complainant's neck, which caused the mark shown. Defendant could show no mark of injury, but he said his clothes were dirty. He denied striking the complainant with the pole; the complainant kicked against the pole and broke it. He had no witnesses as it was dark and there was no one there but himself and the complainant. Mr May, after severely reprimanding the defendant, sentenced him to three months' imprisonment with hard labour, and at the expiration of that sentence he is to find service in the steamer *Yeo* which was then leaving for

householder for \$25 to keep the peace for six months or be further imprisoned.

SAILING.
Chung Apat and two others were charged by Chinese constable No. 275 with gambling on the Recreation Ground, and fined \$1 each or 3 days' hard labour.

ATTEMPTING TO STEAL.
Wong Alum, a coolie, employed by the Patent Slip and Dock Company, was fined 40 shillings or one month's imprisonment for attempting to steal an iron punch.

(Before James Rouse, Esq.)

DARING ATTEMPT AT HOBOKEN.
Cheung A-tai, a seaman, and Lo A-Ke, a gardener, were charged with robbery with violence near the Cosmopolitan Docks on the 28th instant at 3 p.m. Two women were wounded.

Sgt. John Fleming said he was stationed at Yow-mah-te; the defendants were charged with robbery with violence, two women were wounded—one of them very badly—now in Hospital.

Mr. Nelson Spratt, sworn, stated that he was clerk at the Cosmopolitan Docks. On the 28th instant at 3 o'clock in the afternoon the watchman told him something, in consequence of which he went to the water's edge in front of the Dock Premises and saw the Dock boat boys pulling towards a sampan which had two men at it pulling toward the Chinese waters. A woman was calling out "Save life." He waited till he saw the Dock boatmen get alongside the sampan and saw that the prisoners refused to let them board her. One of the women threw a rope and the boatmen towed the sampan. The women called for help and witness and one of his boys got into another sampan and pulled off towards them. As he approached the sampan he saw the 2nd prisoner throw a knife overboard; witness saw the gleam of the blade, he was about sixty yards distant. He then boarded the boat and arrested the prisoners. He found two women, a girl and a child, as well as the prisoners in the boat. One woman was cut on the right breast badly and also on the right shoulder. It could be easily seen the cut on the shoulder was a stab, the cut on the breast was not so obviously a stab, but witness found out afterward that it was. The other woman was cut about the hands and arms and was bleeding a good deal. There was a good deal of blood all over the boat. Witness took both prisoners ashore and kept them in the sampan while he sent for the Police boat. The house boy told him that 2nd prisoner had some bandages in his pocket, and advised witness to take them for fear they would be thrown overboard. Witness, accordingly, searched him and found in his breast pocket three jade stone bangles, three silver ones and sundry earrings and pieces of chain, the same now in Court. He handed those to the Inspector. He did not see any knife, but believed Capt. Whiting of the brig *Victory* did. He did not search the first prisoner.

Cheung A-yeo, a boatwoman and one of the injured women, said that prisoners said they were going to a fishing junk and asked her to take them for ten cash each. She would not do so, and whilst rowing towards the westward near Tai Kok Tsui, the 1st defendant seized her and pulled off two jade stone bangles from her wrists. Witness called out "Save life." The 1st defendant said "You will die to-day if you call out;" he then snatched her earring and she again called out. Prisoner threatened to throw her overboard; at the same time the 2nd defendant was robbing the other woman, and he then came to witness and said "if you call out I'll cut you" and then cut her hands with a knife. 1st defendant also cut her left hand; her aunt was stabbed by the 2nd defendant; she is now in Hospital.

See Chan, a watchman to Messrs Spratt & Co., said he saw a boat pulling rapidly in the direction of Sam-sui-pou; there were two Chinamen in the boat; he heard a woman cry out "Save life, save life;" the boat was distant about a quarter of a li. He told the boat-boys to go and see what was the matter. He knew the prisoners were the men who were pulling.

Chung A-hee, a boatman, said on the 28th instant, about 3 o'clock he heard some one cry out "Save life;" he turned round and saw two men in a boat; one was sculling and the other rowing. He told Aukum another boatman. The watchman told him, but he had seen it himself before. They pulled after the sampan and cried out "what is the matter." The woman cried out "Save life." Witness got a boat hook and caught hold of the boat by the stern. He pulled toward the Dock towing their boat. The prisoner went to the fore part of the boat, and witness saw each of them throw a knife overboard; he did not see them considerate evidence.

Mr Bussell said he commanded the boatmen for capturing the prisoners, they had done a very good action. He should reward the case now till the 6th December, to get the evidence of the woman who was badly wounded.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before His Honor Mr Justice Brewster.)
Nov. 30, 1877.

Thompson v. The Messageries Maritimes, \$480.—The claim was for \$400, but was reduced to the amount now sued. It was for demurrage for 15 days at \$30 a day. The plaintiff is the master of the British barque *Mangerton*, which had been in collision with the M. M. steamer *Volga*.

Mr Brewster said the defendant had admitted his liability for the damage done to the vessel and had paid for all the repairs caused by the collision. But the present claim was for demurrage for the time during which the vessel was under repair,—a claim which the Agent, Mr. Du Poney, did not consider himself justified in paying without the clearest proof. Mr Brewster urged that at the time of the collision, there was a large number of vessels of the *Mangerton* class lying idle, and it was not likely that she could have got a charter so soon after her arrival here with a cargo of coal. Moreover, the defendant never had notice given him that a charter had been offered for the vessel and that he would be held responsible for demurrage. The sole question here was not whether the defendant was liable for the repairs, but whether the vessel was thrown out of employment by reason of those repairs.

Mr Johnson, who appeared for the plain-

tiff, said he was the master of the British barque *Mangerton*, which arrived here on the 15th of September from Newcastle, N. S. W., and was at anchor in the harbour on the 20th, when she was run into by the steamer *Yeo* which was then leaving for

Yokohama, doing considerable damage. After the collision, correspondence ensued between the plaintiff and defendant; the result of which was that the defendant undertook to pay for the damage. The vessel was under charter at the time, and the repairs were not commenced till the 1st Oct., continuing the coal was discharged until the 4th October. The repairs were not finished until the 20th, and the plaintiff therefore claimed 15 days' demurrage at \$30 each. This amount Mr. Johnson urged was a very moderate sum, as he would prove, the vessel could have got very good employ-

ment.

Mr. Ocar Wieler was called. He was

a merchant in the Colony, and his firm were the agents of the vessel *Mangerton*. On the 20th Sept. he saw the Captain in reference to the collision, and witness proved the subsequent correspondence on the matter.

The vessel came with a cargo of coal. A few days after the arrival of the vessel, a Chinaman came to him and spoke about chartering the vessel to Haiphong. The Chinaman was either Fung Fu or Chun Cheong Wing. He offered witness \$1,500 to go to Haiphong and back. Witness

refused because there were few ships in harbour, and higher rates could be got.

A day or two after this, he offered 22 to 24 cents a plough. Witness would

have accepted the charter, but could not do it as the Chinaman wanted the ship within a certain time, and the vessel was not ready. If the ship had not been damaged, the could have accepted the charter.

Mr. G. C. Wieler was called. He was the Secretary of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, was called. He said the Company was doing the repairs, and if the work was hurried, it could have been done in twelve days.

Mr. Brewster then summed up, and Mr. Johnson replied.

His Lordship reserved judgment.

Mr. Wieler told him that he had the offer of a charter, but that he had refused it the offer being too low. Witness had never received any written communication about the offer of a charter; the first time he knew of it was an item for demurrage in the bills sent in. If Mr. Wieler had told him of the offer of charter witness could have asked the Dock Company to hurry on with the work, and they might have worked at it night. For instance a steamer of the Company went into Dock yesterday, and witness requested Mr. Gillies to hurry on with the work, and men were working at it the whole of last night, and the vessel would come out of dock this afternoon.

The witness was not cross-examined.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Sir.—I hear that His Excellency the Governor has made the orders honorable to Colonel Dickins and the Officers of the 28th Regiment for turning their Band so unmercifully out of the Public Gardens.

It would be interesting to know whether the public are to regard the same procedure as an act of discourtesy to themselves, as they do, or whether any explanation is to be offered them on the subject.

The wisdom of the many may, I presume, be regarded as equal to that of the one.

I am etc.

AN OLD RESIDENT.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, Nov. 30, 1877.

Sir.—Since the notorious prohibition of the Band Pomade a large number of letters on the subject has been published, all of them, excepting that of "Audi Alaram Parlam," whose letter appeared in your impression of the 28th Inst., expressing disapproval of His Excellency's conduct.

That champion only endeavours to shift the responsibility on to the shoulders of the gallant Colonial. I do not think the public will appreciate the suggestion that the postponement of His Excellency's "Party" on the evening of the catastrophe was any reason why Colonel Dickins should take upon himself to stop the performance of the Band on the following day—assuming there were any grounds sentimental or otherwise for stopping it—but even if this were so, it does not lessen one iota the discourtesy really complained of, namely, the sending away of the Band and the extinguishing of the lamps when the public were assembled in the Gardens.

Perhaps His Excellency will be able to explain away the matter, so that the community will be satisfied that it was through

no want of respect to them.

Your Obedient Servant,

CAUSA LATER, VIV EST NOTISSIMA.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, Nov. 29, 1877.

Sir.—Your correspondent "Anodyne" writes:—"Those who smear at religion should first learn what religion is."

Very well, let us endeavor to do so.

We have no evidence in prehistoric times of the electric telegraph or the steam engine, while I assume that time was when man's best weapons were of flint.

From this I am taught that ancestral man had perhaps less to brag about than those specimens of humanity still to be met with in savage wilds, and what that is, and was, may best be gathered from the writings of such men as Lyell and Lubbock.

Man, endowed with reason, appreciated the existence of a power greater than he, but what power? There's the rub! Something takes his fancy, and he shapes a god, and by degrees he furnishes a nice little toy shop, and then proceeds to knock his images on the head once after the other. By such means he endowed his Creator with a personality.

Now let us seek Dr Darwin. One man finds himself in one country, another in another. The best fitted survive. One man a shade yellower than another transmits this characteristic, and we have the Mongolian; another a shade darker, and there's your African: another a shade lighter, and here's the Croesusian for you. They carry their toy gods with them, and these get pitchforked into black, yellow, and white, just as the men who produced them were.

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Fung Fa, a ship-broker, was called.

About the end of September he wanted to charter a ship to go to Haiphong.

He offered Mr. Wieler 23 to 24 cents a plough for a round trip. The ship Mr. Wieler told him was of 8,700 piculs capacity. It was the *Mangerton* that was proposed, but she could not be got ready in time. Witness then chartered a vessel from Carlowitz & Co. She started early in October.

By Mr. Brewster.—The vessel charted

from Carlowitz & Co. was the *Marie Louise*, of 10,800 piculs capacity; she left on the 10th October in ballast, as witness wanted her to go down to Haiphong with all speed.

The freight was 22 cents a plough.

If Mr. Wieler had told witness that he could get the *Mangerton* on the 10th October, he would have chartered her.

Re-examined.—The rate for a vessel

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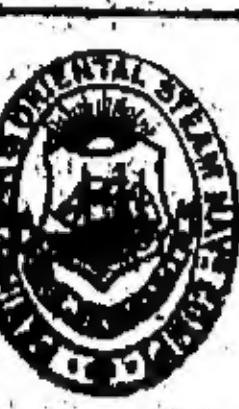
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G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, November 27, 1877. del

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and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
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Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER ZANZIBAR, FROM LON-
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THIS Steamer having arrived, Consignees
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whence delivery may be obtained.

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Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,
unless notice to the contrary be given
before Noon, To-morrow.

No Claims will be admitted, after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods
remaining after the 5th Proximo will be
subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

MELCHERS & Co.,
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Hongkong, November 28, 1877. del

BRITISH BARK ORANGE GROVE,
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CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
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their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned
for countersignature, and to take immediate
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RUSSELL & Co.,
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Hongkong, November 26, 1877. del

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MARITIMES.

S. S. DJEMNAH.

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India, from London, in connection with
the above Steamer, are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed and stored
at their risk at the Company's Godowns,
whence delivery may be obtained immediately
after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,
unless intimation is received from the
Consignees, before To-day, the 28th Instant,
at Noon, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Tues-
day, the 4th December, at Noon, will be
subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,
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Hongkong, November 28, 1877. del

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
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THE British S. S. Japan, Captain H.
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are hereby requested to send in their Bills
of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and to take immediate delivery
of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at
once landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, November 27, 1877. del

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Argyll, having arrived from
the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her
are hereby requested to send their Bills
of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and to take immediate delivery
of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at
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Hongkong, November 27, 1877. del

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Hongkong, November 27, 1877. del

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this Day admitted Mr. WILLIAM
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which will henceforth be conducted under
the Style of HUGHES & LEGGE.
W. KERFOOT HUGHES.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. del

NOTICE.

M. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY
was admitted a Partner in our
Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

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I HAVE This Day Established myself
at this Port as a GENERAL COM-
MISSION AGENT.

J. Y. VERNON SHAW.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. myl

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ERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

W. SCHRIEVER.
Haliphong, November 9, 1877. del

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in my name, will now be carried on under
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thereto.

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Hongkong, November 26, 1877. del

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FROM This Date Mr. EDWARD SHEPPARD
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rized to Sign the name of our Firm per
Procuration at Foochow, and Mr. F. F.
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China, June 1, 1877. del

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